

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

RICHARD K. NIEMI, MARK NIEMI, d/b/a
RICHARD K. NIEMI DESIGN AND
ENGINEERING SERVICES, and RKN
TECHNOLOGY, LLC.

Case No. 05-74210

Plaintiffs,

Honorable Patrick J. Duggan

v.

AMERICAN AXLE MANUFACTURING
& HOLDING INC., successor corporation to
AMERICAN AXLE &
MANUFACTURING OF MICHIGAN, a
defunct corporation, AMERICAN AXLE
MANUFACTURING INC.,
SPRINGFIELD TOOL & DIE, INC.,
successor corporation to NEWCO OF
DUNCAN INC., a defunct corporation, and
JAMES ONYSKI,

Defendants.

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**ORDER GRANTING SPRINGFIELD TOOL & DIE, INC.'S MOTION FOR A
PROTECTIVE ORDER**

On November 2, 2005, Plaintiffs filed a copyright infringement action against Defendants. Presently before the Court is a dispute revolving around documents which Defendant Springfield Tool & Die, Inc. ("SPD") produced during discovery. A hearing on this motion was held on September 25, 2006.

For the reasons set forth in an Opinion filed under seal and issued on this date,

IT IS ORDERED, that Springfield Tool & Die, Inc.'s motion for a protective order is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that these documents are not subject to discovery and cannot be used for any purpose in this proceeding.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that these documents, any copies of these documents, and any notes and memoranda discussing these documents be returned to Springfield Tool & Die, Inc. or destroyed.

s/PATRICK J. DUGGAN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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